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COST OF MINING.

Increased Production of Gold is Evidence of Big Dividends.

GOLD MINING ATTRACTS CAPITAL.

[illegible] THE VALUE OF GOLD MINING INVESTMENTS.

[illegible] capital for de-[illegible] [illegible] the statement, "It takes a [illegible] dollar's worth of gold [illegible] of the ground." Now, [illegible] statistics [illegible] the contrary is true. Fig-[illegible] the output of gold is [illegible] If mining were [illegible] [illegible] would invest [illegible] and the production [illegible] However, such pessimis-[illegible] will so long as [illegible] hopeful [illegible] mining [illegible] wealth [illegible] the mountain [illegible]

skill and ingenuity to penetrate and make subservient to h s desires.

The idea held by the general public to the effect that the cost of mining is altogether out of proportion to the profits, is a fallacious one. It is certain that it takes money to engage in the mining business, the same as it does in any other enterprise, and the more you have at the start—given a good property—the sooner will the profits begin and the greater will be the dividends. THE MINER has no figures as to the cost of mining in Ontario, but it does know that the Sultana and the Mikado are paying mines even with their present equipment and meagre development. The profits of each mine will be greater when the development reaches a stage that will admit of an increased output of ore. It is [illegible] that the monthly profit of the Mikado output of [illegible] is not far from [illegible], and the profits of the Sultana are believed to be larger than these figures.

THE MINER, while lacking desired [illegible] information as to Ontario [illegible] to the idea of the [illegible] that the public are not entitled to know the facts any more than that the books of a mercantile [illegible] should be turned inside out for the benefit of others who [illegible] engaging in [illegible] Such deeming [illegible] it might be of possible service, both to the [illegible] prospective investor, that definite information should be placed in their hands regarding the relative cost of mining, development and [illegible] the accompanying table is provided. The items are [illegible] the report of the manager [illegible] the New York directors. While it [illegible] conditions as [illegible] supplies, etc. [illegible] still the report [illegible] showing how mining investments may prove of most attractive value. The original cost of the mine referred to in this statement was $30,000 cash. Work began on the same February 1, 1889, and this report indicates receipts, expenditures and profits from that date to October 1, 1900:

Cash on hand	$ 1,821 00
Labor	380,059 01
Improvements	20,814 85
Machinery	17,238 53
Iron, steel, etc.	53,603 81
General supplies and expenses	4,049 18
General transportation	272 85
Assaying materials	3,325 18
Horse feed	3,957 09
Legal service and surveys	3,293 90
Office expenses	1,578 48
Ore transportation	12,333 11
Timber	41,998 23
Fuel	12,431 18
Insurance	479 15
Telegraph and Telephone	723 97
Leadville Water Company	1,894 25
Tax	477 62
New York Office as net earnings	1,410,592 20
Total rec'd from sale of ore	$1,[illegible] 81

It is results such as is indicated in the above report, that lead those interested in the mining industry to offer no apologies to prospective investors. Although all mines are not likely to prove of the character indicated above, yet, when the $30,000 was paid for this property, the only development upon it was a single shaft, sunk to the depth of 75 feet, disclosing a small ore vice of ore, but located in a district which gave promise of reasonable returns as a result of intelligent exploration. In view of the net returns of nearly half a million a year, for three years, on a property so admittedly inferior to nearly all of the Ontario prospects with their wide, well defined veins and rich surface ores, it is no wonder that all mining men who have investigated the Ontario auriferous deposits pronounce them not only the most extensive, but the richest gold-bearing areas in the world. One of these days the merits of the Ontario gold fields will become generally known, and when that is the case the present day scoffers will wish they had got in on ground-floor privileges.

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RAT PORTAGE.

THE CIVIC NOMINATIONS.

D. C. Cameron, Mayor by Acclamation 13 Nominees for Councillors

The nominations for the offices of Mayor, councillors, school trustees and water commissioners was held last Monday forenoon, and resulted as follows:

FOR MAYOR.

D. C. Cameron, A. S. Horswill and A. C. Boyce.

Messrs Boyce and Horswill resigned giving the mayor's chair to Mr. Cameron by acclamation.

COUNCILLORS

A. McQuarrie, J. K. Brydon, George Evans, C. W. Belyea, T. R. Deacon, Samuel Brown, John Brenchley, M. W. Straightholm, Fred A. Hudson, W. G. Cameron, R. W. Ferrier, J. A. Partington, A. S. Horswill, E. J. Hall, C. W. Chadwick, and J. B. Davies.

Messrs Ferrier, Partington and E. J. Hall resigned, leaving thirteen candidates for the council in the field; six to be elected.

pality and afterwards of the Town of Rat Portage from the commencement until the present, when it is almost a city; a period of thirteen years.

Be it therefore resolved that this council take this opportunity of extending to the said John Kerr Brydon a vote of thanks in recognition of his services and wish him increased prosperity upon his retiring to private life.

And that the clerk forward a copy of this resolution under the seal of the corporation to Mr. Brydon.

Seal

W. McCARTHY, Mayor.

D. B. CURRIE, Clerk.

A number of the candidates addressed the electors till the meeting adjourned at noon.

The Canadian Almanac.

The Canadian Almanac for 1901 is the fifty-fourth issue of the series; it is unusually valuable and is indispensible to every office in the Dominion. Many of the lists given are not found elsewhere, and in no other volume can so much information about Canada be found in so small a compass.

THE TOWN COUNCIL

Responsibility and Liability for Action of Tax Collector.

The final meeting of the town council was held last evening with Mayor McCarthy in the chair. Councillors Rice, Hudson and McQuarrie were present. The following motions were passed:

McQuarrie—Hudson—That the following communications be received: A. McLennan, M. Kyle, Sir Wm. R. Meredith, A. McLennan, A. M. Rose, S. R. Armstrong.

Rice—McQuarrie—That the council will and hereby do agree to assume all responsibility and liability for any action of Collector Rose as long as he acts within the premises of the municipal and assessment acts.

Rice—McQuarrie—That the report of the finance committee be received and adopted and that the mayor and clerk be authorized to issue warrants for the payment of the several accounts therein recommended, as follows:—

The Rat Portage Lumber Co., $32.91; S. Malcolm, $4; The Scott & Hudson Building Co., $12.55; The Rat Portage Lumber Co., $18.92; Charles Dawson, $1; Thos. Lockett, $3.00; Horn & Taylor, $10.50; Isiah Lakins, 50 cts.; Johnson's Pharmacy, $21.60; F. Ap'John, $20.00; Louis Hilliard, $35; Wm. Major, $2.45; Canadian Pacific Railway Co., $.20; D. H. Currie, $1; W. R. Gerrie, $11; Garth & Co., $7.20.

Rice—Hudson—That the clerk be instructed to write the manager of the Imperial Bank of Canada authorizing him to sell the Local Improvement Debentures now deposited with him in the Imperial Bank, for par. Any offers less than par to be submitted to the council for approval before being accepted.

McQuarrie—Rice—That the council resolve itself into a committee of the whole with Coun. Hudson in the chair for the second reading and consideration of by-laws for borrowing money [illegible]

RENEWED ACTIVITY

Good Prospects for the Enlistment of Capital During This New Year.

BROOKFIELD NUGGETS OF GOLD.

WONDERFUL SPECIMENS—ENCOURAGING REPORTS FROM NORTH STURGEON LAKE.

Evidences of increased activity in these gold fields are of frequent occurrence at the present time. There are more genuine negotiations with capitalists for money, development work on a large scale than ever before in our history. The work done by the Chamber of Mines is causing moneyed men to investigate the characteristics of our auriferous outcroppings. Honest and thorough investigation will undoubtedly lead to development money being extensively expended. We have assurance of this in the success that has followed the expenditure of money and persistent work on the Sultana, Mikado and others. There are numerous other properties of equally as good and even better gold ore indications than any that have been worked. The gold having been proven to be here and the fact being more generally accepted as substantiated, with the dissemination of the information the enlistment of abundance of capital follows as a natural sequence. The work of enlightenment is being effectually performed by the Chamber of Mines, and the inquiries and investigations that are being made give promise of big things in gold mining in the near future. In addition to what the Chamber [illegible] it is gratifying to [illegible] encouraging indi-[illegible] efforts in the same direction. An instance of this is the securing of capital for the development of the Homestake mine on the Mikado peninsula; the continuance of operations on the Golden Eagle on Eagle lake as well as others might also be mentioned. In the procuring of capital for gold mining development patient and persistent effort is bound to win, and indications are not wanting that during this first year of the new century more will be accomplished than during any previous twelve months.

Good reports come from properties being developed on North Sturgeon lake about ninety miles north-east of Ignace. Mr. Shore is doing development work there on a very promising property, and about two miles from his location, the syndicate headed by Mr. Symmes, who did some work near the Mikado, are operating. They [illegible] veloped their property th[illegible] good results that they [illegible] ten stamp mill [illegible] which has arrived [illegible] and sleigh[illegible] this week [illegible] and suppli[illegible] cal manag[illegible] went fro[illegible] forwa[illegible]

[illegible] the Brookfield. Putting [illegible] in Manitoba [illegible] gold mining properties will be glad to learn that [illegible] has been made [illegible] and express office. A post office was also opened on the first of this month.

At the Sultana the miners are working [illegible] vein [illegible] feet wide and another [illegible]. These two veins are parallel and adjoin each other, being operated from the same shaft. The values being taken from the plates from one hundred [illegible] averaging about $11.00 in gold per ton.

The Scotch Syndicate.

The operations being carried on in the province of Manitoba just across the boundary by the company known as the Scotch syndicate are growing in importance. Under the management of W. D. Pettigrew thorough exploratory work has been done, by test pits, stripping, etc. An open cut on the Brookfield location in a vein seven feet in width has shown some wonderfully rich ore. Nuggets as large as [illegible] have been picked up from amongst the small pebbles of ore in the end of the mucking out after a blast. Pieces have been picked up from the dump which showed an extraordinary amount of visible gold; some of the pieces being held together by connections of the precious metal. One [illegible] of the open cut extended down a [illegible] to a swamp from which water [illegible] into it. After removing the [illegible] rock and bucket was used to [illegible] the water and muck. In pouring [illegible] out nuggets could be seen, in [illegible] shaking of the pail left a [illegible] of the glittering little chunks [illegible] bottom. The Brookfield is a [illegible] and the Scotch Syndicate are to be congratulated on the bonanza they [illegible] opened up. They have also had [illegible] good results from a very wide [illegible] the [illegible] Bay location. [illegible] appear to have fully de-[illegible] width of the vein matter [illegible] as it pans freely in [illegible] have done so far, [illegible] the whole dis-[illegible] they [illegible] by what

TO [illegible]

[illegible]

When the Bronco Threw Him.

"Most Englishmen are considered pretty fair horsemen, but when it comes to [illegible] on it for long," said the owner of a ranch in Wyoming to the writer the other [illegible]. "For a long time Englishmen [illegible] regarded as a joke in this part of the country in quest of some good investment. He was at my ranch as a guest for a few days, and one afternoon as the cowboys were about to round up a bunch of ponies the young man said he would enjoy a good ride in the saddle. I said he was used to riding, and he didn't think a bronco good enough for him. I convinced him that the wildest of the finest horses on the ranch, and if he knew how to ride, I would be the animal. He evidently insulted when I suggested his ability to ride and that he could ride any bronco. A sleepy looking bronco was finally brought out for the Englishman, and he sadled. Though the beast appeared half dead, he was the worst bucker in the herd.

"Mr. Hughes," said the Englishman when the pony was brought to him. The boys said the last they'll wake up after the first mile, and I'll get on into the saddle. The first I knew they had him on the horse's back, and after the second he was in the saddle. He turned a double somersault and landed on the sharp end of a cactus plant. When he picked himself up one of the boys asked what he thought of the thoroughbred now. The question made the Englishman turn pale.

"He's a good [illegible] he answered, but he hopes he'll remain [illegible]."

THE MYSTERY OF DREAMS

A Case In Which the Coincidences Were Remarkable.

On one occasion during the civil war I dreamed that I was standing beside a road when there came marching along it a strong column of prisoners with guards at intervals on the flanks. I asked one of these guards who the prisoners were and where they had been captured. He informed me that they had been taken in an engagement with the enemy on the day before and that there were 1,000 of them. I then asked some bystander what day of the month it was and was told it was such a day of a certain month, some six weeks later than the date of the dream. The whole dream was extremely distinct, and it made a strong impression on me. I related it to a number of my comrades within the next few days and then thought of it no more.

Six weeks later, on the morning of the very day that had been mentioned in the dream as the date when the column of prisoners had passed before me, I was on picket two miles distant from the point where I had seemed to be when I saw them. It was soon after breakfast, and I was standing by the side of the road at the fire talking to the officer of the picket when an aid to the commanding general came riding down the road. He had been a schoolfellow of our officer's at West Point, and he reined up when he recognized his friend. He told us that he had news; that things had begun a campaign [illegible] the enemy the [illegible] and [illegible] people had [illegible] had just the [illegible] at Corinth.

IS ONE DAY.

[illegible] destruction of [illegible] by a growing germ, precisely as mouldy cheese is destruction of cheese by a growing [illegible].

If you kill the germs, you [illegible] consumption.

[illegible] can't, [illegible] to when you beg

The [illegible] Cod Liver Oil [illegible] at first.

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A SLEEK, SLICK MAN.

By Charles B. Lewis.

On the passenger list of the Ocean Queen as she sailed from Melbourne for London on the 10th of August, 18—, was the name of James Melwill, an Englishman, and if there ever was a slicker, slicker man got into print I have not read of him. He hadn't the sleek, slick way of a hypocritical missionary or parson, but it was a way of his own. He was a dandy in figure and dress. He had the innocent face of a child. He was guileless and ingenuous. He seemed to know so little of the world that you wondered where he had passed his 50 years of life. He wanted to make everybody's acquaintance and be friends with all. You couldn't help but set him down for a good fellow just to look at him, and when you had listened to his droll stories in the smoking room, his songs in the cabin and the fairy stories he told the children you had to agree that he was justly a favorite.

No one seemed to know Jimmy, as he asked us to call him. Beyond hinting that he lived up the country on a big horse farm and was worth half a million dollars, it turned out that no one really knew that, but had taken his word for it. However, it was no one's business to know him. He was going back to England after a bride, and all the ladies aboard agreed that he was a good catch and the girl was in luck. Perhaps I got more out of Mr. Melwill than any other passenger. It was more, and at the same time it was less. In speaking of his horse farm to me he had been foolish enough to locate it. It was far distant from Melbourne, and it was in an out of the way place, but it so happened that I had sheepherded and prospected all over that range and knew his story to be false. He saw by my looks that I knew it to be so, and he at once turned the conversation and refused any further information. Women will lie when there is no object, but men generally plan to make a lie serve a purpose. I tried to figure out why Jimmy should lie, but the best guess I could make at it was that he wanted to pass for a richer man than he was. There was nothing bad about that, and I didn't permit the falsehood to open any breach between us.

When we came to shake ourselves down aboard, I noticed that there were a lot of rather tough looking men among the steerage passengers. It was explained that they were going to the Cape to work on a new railroad. As near as I could size them up they were all colonials and men more used to horses than picks and shovels. Your true navvy, or day laborer, would have sprawled in the shade and slept and smoked and been content. I picked out a dozen or more of the so called workingmen who were nervous and uneasy, and they often formed little groups and seemed to hold much converse in whispers. This, however, was only a trifling incident. People on shipboard have nothing to do but gossip and observe. A man who would not walk ten steps on land to see a captive eagle will sit for an hour and watch the erratic flight of a gull. I think the sleek Jimmy must have caught me watching the steerage passengers, for he took occasion one day to observe:

"There seems to be a fine lot of men going out to the Cape with us?"

"As far as bone and muscle go," I replied.

"But it takes bone and muscle to build railroads."

"Yes, and it takes muscle to break them down," I added.

"Do you think it a joke, do you?" I asked rather brusquely.

"Oh, no, no!" he replied, smiling and chuckling at the same time. "No: it's no joke. There will be no laughing over it."

His tones were sarcastic, and for an instant there was a look of triumph in his eyes. Then he turned away, and I gave the brig my attention. We ran down to within half a mile of her before our engines were stopped. Only three men were visible on her decks, and she hadn't a boat in sight. The trio beckoned and motioned that we should send a boat, and the captain gave orders that one should be lowered. "It will be a case of fever," he said, "and all the officers and most of the men down," and the surgeon was sent off with the boat, which was in charge of the second mate. Eight of our crew were thus taken. The boat had pulled half the distance to the brig when we had something nearer home to attract attention. The sleek, slick little Jimmy suddenly held a cocked revolver to the captain's ear and marched him into his stateroom. Fourteen of the "railroad" men from the steerage crowded with a pistol and knife, and in fifty apparent strokes of the whole crew of us were in the cabin and a guard over us. The entire room was taken possession of at the same time, and the Ocean Queen had been taken possession of without a shot being fired. The brig was flying broadside to us. She had two boats down on the far side, with 35 men in each boat, and as soon as they had pulled around and captured our yawl one boatload of the rascals came aboard the Queen, and the steamer was worked down alongside the brig. The sea was smooth, and the fellows could lash the craft together without fear of disaster.

We had been taken completely by surprise and had no show. They had the gold out and transferred within an hour. It is to the credit of the rascally gang to say that they were under good control and insulted no one. After the gold was disposed of they robbed the ship of a lot of bedding and provisions, and at the last the sleek, slick man came down into the cabin to say a few words. He was smiling and good natured. He patted the children, bowed to the ladies and waved his hand to the men.

"My dear friends," he said in that soft, silky voice of his, "I hope that I have given you no trouble. Rather let me hope that you will look upon it as an incident to break the monotony of the voyage. I do not wish to search you one by one, like a footpad or a bushranger, but will trust to your honesty to hand over your money and jewels. I have figured on about the amount I should get. If I get it, no one will be further disturbed. If I don't get it, there will be room aboard the brig for most of the ladies."

I gave up half my possessions, and I presume the other passengers retained a share as well, but the money, watches, rings, brooches, etc., laid on the table before the pirate had a good round value and seemed to satisfy him. He swept everything into a sack, bade us a fond adieu and within ten minutes was sailing away in the brig. The engines were disabled before they left, and the crew of the mate's boat was sent back to us, and as no one had been killed we were fain to think we had come off fairly well. We lay rolling in midocean for four days before the engineer had made repairs, and by that time the brig was several hundred miles away. Even had we known her course and position, it would have availed nothing. We made a slow run for the remainder of the voyage, and it was three weeks before a man-of-war started out to look for the pirate craft. It had been a job put up in Australia, and it had worked to perfection. It may be that the brig returned to that coast and landed and divided the swag, but as she had a dozen different places [illegible] to my mind.

"We have a mystery here and must solve it," said the professor as he recovered from his surprise. "Let us get the body down and make an investigation."

It was neither a body nor a skeleton. The cold had preserved the flesh to a certain extent, but the action of the water running down the ravine had also worn it away. The face was well preserved, and the hair was as fine as in life. It was the remains of a man who had weighed perhaps 150 pounds, but I had no difficulty in detaching it from the rock and lowering it down. What remained of the clothing proved that the man had either been a fisherman or a sailor, but his nationality could only be guessed at.

"At some time or other," said the professor as he looked about, "this ravine has been a creek of considerable size flowing down to the sea. This man came up the creek from the beach, but we now find a wall of ice blocking it up. The ice has formed since he came. There should be a boat frozen up in the wall between us and the sea."

We had nothing to make a torch of, and, retracing our steps to a point where we could climb out of the ravine, we left the mystery to be solved another day. There was much discussion around the campfires that evening, and early next morning we set out to see if the ravine had once upon a time opened to the sea. We soon found that it had. Its mouth had been in a small bay, but a storm had filled it with bowlders and dammed back the waters flowing down. Between the sea and the spot where we found the body the ice was from 50 to 70 feet thick. If the sun melted it for a few feet in the summer, the rains and snows of winter speedily replaced what had been lost. We found it as clear as glass and as hard as iron, but powder was brought from the ship, and holes were drilled, and in a couple of days we had blasted out a great rift to half its depth.

Everybody had a suspicion of what was frozen in down there, but yet the discovery gave us a shock. When but 30 feet of ice lay between us and the bottom of the ravine we could see through it well enough to make out the hull of a ship standing on an even keel. It was the hull of a brig, with masts gone, but otherwise intact. We could even make out the ropes which had been frozen stiff as iron while they streamed along her decks, but there were no bodies of dead men in sight. To blast out the remaining depths of ice and clear the ravine was a task requiring more old than we could spare and more powder than we had aboard. We had to be content with what we could see.

Years before—perhaps half a century—a merchant vessel had made that little bay in distress. Wave and tide had carried her up to the creek, and wave and tide had blocked her exit. Then she began to freeze in. No man can guess how long it took for the ice to bury her until it was a solid mass 50 feet above her decks, but decades must have passed. If one of her crew got away up to the ravine why not all of them? And yet no other body or remains were to be found on the island. This man, who may have been the captain, probably started out by himself to see if there was a chance of escape, but in making his way up the ravine he perished of cold and hunger. There was source a hope for the others. If they left the hulk they were forced to return to it for shelter and food. There came a day when food and fuel were exhausted, when avalanches of snow covered the decks and the cold of winter froze the marrow of their bones, and they bid away in forecastle and cabin and died with open eyes staring into the darkness. Upon our return to London the case was reported and made much of in the papers, but no government or individual has ever gone farther than we did. A hulk lies there full of dead men—a hulk which sailed the waters of the frozen seas half a century ago, and there it will lie until time is no more and chaos reigns again. It might be blasted out, but of what use? The solving of one mystery of the sea more or less would count for but little.

Objectionable Features.

Nagnus—I have read your speech, Borum and, to tell the truth, I don't like its physiognomy.

Borte—Its physiognomy? What do you mean?

Nagnus—Why I've got too close together with my constituents to stand for any of your fine spun theories.

UNDER SIXTY FEET OF ICE.

BY M. QUAD.

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Cherry Island lies 1,400 miles directly north of Sweden and is the dividing line between the Greenland and the Barents seas. A line drawn from east to west would strike Nova Zembla on the one end and Hudson's Land on the other. There are about 50 days in the year when the island enjoys the heat and the verdure of summer, but during the remainder there are such cold and blankness and loneliness as man can find nowhere else outside of the north pole itself. In the deep, dark ravines the earth has never thawed since frozen ages of thousands of years ago, and on the north side are blocks of ice which were cast up there when the Creator was seeking to bring order out of chaos.

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Done and passed in Open Council this ——— day of ———, A. D., 190—.

Mayor. Town Clerk.

Take notice that the above is a true copy of a proposed By-law, which has been taken into consideration, and which will be finally passed by the Council of the Municipality (in the event of the assent of the electors being obtained thereto) after one month from the first publication in The Miner, the date of which first publication was Friday the fourteenth day of December, A. D. 1900, and that the votes of the electors of the said Municipality will be taken thereon on the day and at the hours and places therein fixed.

D. H. CURRIE,
Clerk.

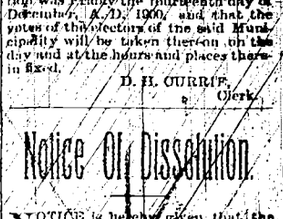
Notice Of Dissolution.

NOTICE is hereby given that the partnership heretofore subsisting between us, the undersigned, as Malcolm & Shutt in the Town of Rat Portage, has this day been dissolved by mutual consent. All debts owing to said partnership are to be paid to St. Clair Malcolm at Rat Portage aforesaid, and all claims against the said partnership are to be presented to the said St. Clair Malcolm by whom the same will be settled.

Dated this 1st day of December, A. D. 1900.

ST. CLAIR MALCOLM.
JAMES SHUTT.

Witness—
ALLEN McLENNAN.



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shoulders in person. But it was a way of his own. He was a dandy in figure and dress. He had the innocent face of a child. He was guileless and ingenuous. He seemed to know so little of the world that you wondered where he had passed his 30 years of life. He wanted to make everybody's acquaintance and be friends with all. You couldn't help but set him down for a good fellow just to look at him; and when you had listened to his droll stories in the smoking room, his songs in the cabin and the fairy stories he told the children you had to agree that he was justly a favorite.

No one seemed to know Jimmy, as he asked us to call him, beyond knowing that he lived up the country on a big horse farm and was worth half a million dollars. It turned out that no one really knew that, but had taken his word for it. However, it was no one's business to know him. He was going back to England after a trip, and all the ladies aboard agreed that he was a good catch and the girl was in luck. Perhaps I got more out of Mr. Melwill than any other passenger. It was more, and at the same time it was less. In speaking of his horse farm to me he had been foolish enough to locate it. It was far distant from Melbourne, and it was in an out of the way place, but it so happened that I had sheepherded and prospected all over that range and knew his story to be false. He saw by my looks that I knew it to be so, and he at once turned the conversation and refused any further information. Women will lie when there is no object, but men generally plan to make a lie serve a purpose. I tried to figure out why Jimmy should lie, but the best guess I could make at it was that he wanted to pass for a richer man than he was. There was nothing bad about that, and I didn't permit the falsehood to open any breach between us.

When we came to shake ourselves down aboard, I noticed that there were a lot of rather tough looking men among the steerage passengers. It was explained that they were going to the Cape to work on a new railroad. As near as I could size them up they were all colonials and men more used to horses than picks and shovels. Your true navvy, or day laborer, would have sprawled in the shade and slept and smoked and been content. I picked out a dozen or more of the so called workingmen who were nervous and uneasy, and they often formed little groups and seemed to hold much converse in whispers. This, however, was only a trifling incident. People on shipboard have nothing to do but gossip and observe. A man who would not walk ten steps on land to see a captive eagle will sit for an hour and watch the erratic flight of a gull. I think the sleek Jimmy must have caught me watching the steerage passengers, for he took occasion one day to observe:

"There seems to be a fine lot of men going out to the Cape with us?"

"As far as bone and muscle go," I replied.

"But it takes bone and muscle to build railroads."

"Of course, but this is the first time I ever heard of Australians being shipped to the Cape for such work. Is there any scarcity of native help? I can't imagine one of those chaps over yonder with his soft hands doing much with pick and shovel."

"No, perhaps not," replied Jimmy in an absent way as he looked at me through half closed eyes.

Then he extended his cigar case, proposed a game of euchre, and the subject was dropped. I don't claim that I was suspicious of Jimmy or that I was disturbed by the gang in the steerage. On the contrary, I was perfectly easy in my mind in all respects. I had read in the Australian papers that the Ocean Queen was carrying home more than a million dollars in gold. In fact, I had seen most of the boxes brought aboard and taken down to the strong room. All other passengers must have been aware of the treasure, but there was little or no talk about it. I think the sleek, slick man was the only one I heard say anything about it. As we sat smoking and yarning one day he carelessly mentioned the treasure and then wondered how much all the gold and silver lost by shipwreck would amount to.

It is a wide expanse of ocean between the Cape and Australia, and at the end of a week we had all settled down into grooves and fallen into a shipboard routine. Early one morning

on with the beef, which was in charge of the second mate. Eight of our crew were thus taken. The boat had pulled half the distance to the brig when we had something nearer home to attract attention. The sleek, slick little Jimmy suddenly held a cocked revolver to the captain's ear and marched him into his stateroom. Fourteen of the "sailorend" men from the steerage, each armed with a pistol and knife, said to appeared nowhere us, and it wasn't three minutes before the whole crowd of us were in the cabin and a glass over us. The officers room was taken possession of at the same time, and the Ocean Queen had been taken possession of without a shot being fired. The brig was lying broadside to us. She had two boats down on the far side with 15 men in each boat, and as soon as they had pulled around and captured our yawl one boatload of the rascals came aboard the Queen, and the steamer was worked down alongside the brig. The sea was smooth, and the fellows could lash the craft together without fear of disaster.

We had been taken completely by surprise and had no show. They had the gold out and transferred within an hour. It is to the credit of the rascally gang to say that they were under good control and insulted no one. After the gold was disposed of they robbed the ship of a lot of bedding and provisions, and at the last the sleek, slick man came down into the cabin to say a few words. He was smiling and good natured. He patted the children, bowed to the ladies and waved his hand to the men.

"My dear friends," he said in that soft, silky voice of his, "I hope that I have given you no trouble. Rather let me hope that you will look upon it as an incident to break the monotony of the voyage. I do not wish to search you one by one, like a footpad or a bushranger, but will trust to your honesty to hand over your money and jewels. I have figured on about the amount I should get. If I get it no one will be further disturbed. If I don't get it, there will be room aboard the brig for most of the ladies."

I gave up half my possessions, and I presume the other passengers retained a share as well, but the money, watches, rings, brooches, etc., laid on the table before the pirate had a good round value and seemed to satisfy him. He swept everything into a sack, bade us a fond adieu and within ten minutes was sailing away in the brig. The engines were disabled before they left, and the crew of the mate's boat was sent back to us, and as no one had been killed we were fain to think we had come off fairly well. We lay rolling in midocean for four days before the engineer had made repairs, and by that time the brig was several hundred miles away. Even had we known her course and position, it would have availed nothing. We made a slow run for the remainder of the voyage, and it was three weeks before a man-of-war started out to look for the pirate craft. It had been a job put up in Australia, and it had worked to perfection. It may be that the brig returned to that coast and landed and divided the swag, but as she had a dozen different places to choose from she had no fear of capture. So far as I have been able to learn she was never heard from, though the search was kept up for a year or more. There was enough plunder to set each one up handsomely, and I have always thought of Jimmy the slick one as touring about in the finest raiment, drinking the rarest wines and making himself a favorite wherever he stopped for a week.

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Calamity Warded Off.

The ruler of a small German state has discovered one way of warding off the dire calamity which must result from having 13 at a table. A Berlin exchange is the authority for this statement.

His serene highness is in the habit of giving little dinners and parties, to which only the social select are called. At one of these exclusive affairs held lately the prince ordered a cover to be laid for Herr L., one of his cabinet council.

Herr L. was a little late, and the rest of the guests had arrived when he presented himself at the door.

A superstitious baroness exclaimed as he entered: "Good gracious! There are 13 of us!"

"Calm yourself, my dear baroness," said his serene highness. "Herr L. is not one of us. He belongs to a burgher family."

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If was a toilsome journey we made, but it ended at last at a wall of ice within half a mile of the surf. At that point the depth of the ravine was about 100 feet, and though the sun was shining above, it was like evening down there. A few yards before we were brought to a standstill we found the body of a man lying against the wall of rock on the right hand side and ten feet above our heads. It was caught and held fast on a point of rock. We were both a good deal startled by the grewsome sight, and had it been a

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Naggus—Its I's are too close together.

A Sluggish, Torpid Liver

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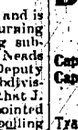

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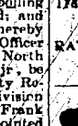

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[Rank.]

All night when my tired eyes were closed in sleep
I saw the one I love and heard her speak—
Heard, in the listening watches of the night,
The sweet words melting from her sweeter lips;
But what she said or seemed to say to me
I have forgotten, though till morning broke,
I strove to remember her melodious words.
Long, long may Janil's eyelids blest with sleep,
Like that which stole him from himself last night.
The perfect rest, which, closing his tired lids,
Disclosed the hidden beauty of his love.
And, flooding his soul with music all the while,
Imposed forgetfulness, instructing him
That silence is more significant of love
Than all the burning words in lovers' songs.
—R. H. Stoddard in Harper's Magazine.

A HINDOO MYSTERY

BY M. QUAD.

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[illegible] corroboration of what I am about to relate I give you the Hadiarabad gazette of the dates of June 6, 8 and 11 of the year 1872. In those three issues as well as in others later on you will find much space devoted to the case of the man who went by the name of Chilka.

This Hindoo Chilka, who was about 40 years of age, came to the cantonment of Hadiarabad as a peddler of [illegible]. He had the beaks and claws of birds, the feet of small animals, the skins and teeth of serpents and the ears and claws of tigers and panthers. He claimed that all his stock had been blessed by a holy man and that each and every article was a charm. The native soldier is full of superstition, and the English soldier in India at least hopes for good luck. Together they always buy liberally of these peddlers. There were charms against death, wounds, sickness, loss and what not, and the very cheapest and poorest was a guarantee that its possessor would never be struck by lightning. The man had been selling his goods for [illegible] when a dispute arose [illegible]

[illegible] for, the man to have left the prison that the officials stood confounded.

Search was made for hours and then the watchman in that corridor was put under arrest. It was asserted that unless he had unlocked the cell and two corridor doors Chilka could not have escaped. He made an indignant denial, and the singular incident was the talk of the town and was published in the newspapers. The affair would have died out in a week but for the recapture of the Hindoo two or three days later. He was seen and recognized in a village about 20 miles away and was arrested and returned to jail. He would make no explanations. He was offered a sum of money and his freedom if he would betray the guard, but he was silent. No importance was attached to the pink stone, but it was taken away from him when he was locked up.

For two days the man was quiet and sullen. Then he began to shout and scream and rave, and to quiet him the stone was restored. As soon as it was placed in his hands the fellow was like a lamb. It was given him about 3 o'clock in the afternoon. The corridor to which he was confined contained eight cells, and in each cell except his there were two prisoners. There was a barred window at one end of the corridor and an iron door at the other. A guard sat at this door and had control of the lever unlocking all the cells. He was known brother to the sheriff, and his integrity could not be impugned. His orders were to look into Chilka's cell every hour, and at 4 o'clock he looked in and found the man apparently asleep. At 5 o'clock he looked in, to find the cell empty. There had been no movement to alarm him, and the other prisoners had heard nothing. Before unlocking the cell the guard called in the jailer, and never was official so dumfounded. The Hindoo had vanished. But how could he have gone in the first? There was the guard and there were 14 prisoners to back him up, and though the jailer was a hard-headed man, he was forced to believe in the supernatural.

This third queer escape caused no end of talk. Europeans who reside in India see so many strange things that they become tainted with superstition. There were a few who shook their heads and hinted that the jailer knew more than he dared tell, meaning that Chilka had dealt with him, but the great majority put it down that the pink stone was the fetich which had danced all the trouble. In order to clear themselves of ridicule the officials determined that Chilka should be recaptured at [illegible] and messengers were sent [illegible] ation, and a letter received [illegible] In about ten days [illegible] to take it. He was [illegible] m. He was [illegible] and jolly. [illegible] of the secret [illegible] of explanation [illegible] four days [illegible] or drink. He looked [illegible] was finally [illegible] The stone [illegible] and how [illegible] le to give [illegible] never seen [illegible]

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When the charm was turned over to Chilka he went for joy and called for food. He was now taken to a corridor in which were four cells and all empty. The only window was boarded up, two guards were stationed at the door, and a cell each side of the Hindoo was occupied by a guard. The jailer himself was the guard on the inner side of the door. The charm was passed over to Chilka just at supper time. He ate his food and lay down on the straw as if to sleep. At a quarter past 6 the jailer looked into the cell, and the man was there. So at half past and a quarter to 7. At 7 o'clock he was gone. Smile if you will, but the Hindoo had taken his departure out of an iron cell with four guards at hand, and not the slightest trace of him could be found. The guards in the cells had heard ... his part. His cell door ... and there was the ... form on the straw. You ... four men were fools ... in the face of all the talk and newspaper articles and ... that he vanished on the different occasions as I have related. Indeed, the ... investigations called out doctors, ... soldiers and attorneys, and they were not men who could be ridiculed. Chilka simply vanished as a spirit. The stone was the charm which accomplished it. He was never found after his last escape. The authorities didn't want to find him. He was not only a spirit of evil, but ... had a bad moral influence ... the community. You ... the matter as you will.

body, but that was bekase everybody swallered his bluffs and stepped around softly. He has defied the vigilance committee and he has bluffed this court, and it'll astonish ye to find out just what sort of a critter he is. Yesterday mornin he starts over the hills for Tin Can City. On the way he meets Pete the Half Breed. Most of ye know Pete and most of ye hev heard that he got no backbone. Pete was ridin a cayuse and Sam was hoofin it. When they come together Sam holds up his hand and says:

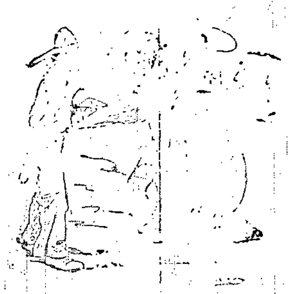
"'Git off'n that hoss!'

"'What fur?' says Pete.

"'Bekase I want him.'

"'But he's ...'

"Then Sam calls him a string of names 80 rods long. He abuses Pete's father and mother and all the rest of



"GIT OFF'N THAT HOSS!"

his relations. He chomps his teeth and rolls his eyes and pulls his guns. He wants that cayuse, and he wants him inside of two minutes. Ye may figger that Pete, who hadn't any gun with him, turned pale and fell out of the saddle with a thump, but ye'll be mistaken if ye do. It took him some little time to realize the situashun, but he didn't skeer. When he got things straight he slid off his critter and lit on to Sam. Did the bold, bad man who has carried the county of Cold Chuck in his pocket fur a year drill holes through the half breed as he come? Not a drill. Was thar an awful struggle lastin half an hour before victory perched on either banner? Not a struggle. That half breed, who was thought to be a worm of the dust, takes the bold, bad man by the nose and leads him around fur awhile. Then he strips him of his weepins, pulls his ears, slaps his jaw and kicks him around a bend of the trail.

"What does the terrible terror of Cold Chuck county do? Hevin given hisself away as a coward and a blowhard does he fall over a cliff that men may forgit him? Does he strike out fur a p'int 1,000 miles away, that his name may never be known? Not much. He comes right back to town and to me, and the fust thing he says is:

"'Jedge, I want jestice.'

"'What sort of jestice?'

"'Jestice fur bein held up and robbed by Pete the Half Breed.'

"'But why didn't ye shute?'

"'He skulked up on me. Gimme jestice, jedge—gimme lots of it.'

"Thar was Arizona Sam, bold, bad man, and I believed his yarn and sent out a warrant and had Pete arrested. I was calkerlatin to gin him a mighty ... of jestice, but hearin his side of ... story has changed my mind. 'Sam, ... bluffer, ...' says I. 'Are ye denyin ... Pete ...?' ... was the reply. ... 'But you did ...' ... a good ... 'I don't think.' ... great ... Cap. Bluffer ... all the other ... and we ... the disgrace fur ... I can't send ye to jail fur bein a bluffer ... but I'm goin to sentence ... to be booted from this here temple of jestice to the Red Dog saloon, and if ye ain't over the hill and out of town ten minits later I won't answer fur consequences. As ... he is set at liberty, and he can keep yer ... the fust man to apply the boot. The rest of us, includin the court, will fall in arter him, and as ye feel yerself lifted clear off the earth I hope ye may come to realize that though jestice is blind and moves along like a kyote with six legs ... she keeps reachin out her hand ... gits the right critter by the ...

M. QUAD.

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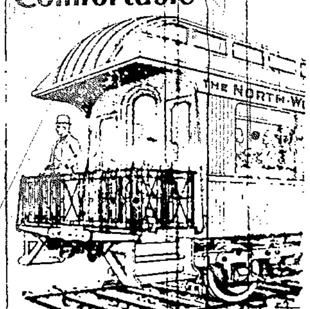

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Mr. and Mrs. J. W. McKenzie of Sturgeon, were in town this week visiting friends.

W. A. Bergman is away on a trip among the lumber camps to the south-east of here.

W. J. Monds left on Monday on a trip to eastern cities, including Toronto, Montreal, Buffalo, Detroit and Chicago.

Dr. Schuart left on Monday evening on a trip to eastern cities.

A Kinetograph and graphophone combination from Chicago is one of Manager Hallett's Opera house attractions for January.

In accordance with a preconcerted arrangement next Sunday morning's service in the Methodist church will comprise a love feast, renewal of the covenant and sacrament.

Thomas Davison was up from Quaker this week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Savage returned to Winnipeg on Wednesday morning.

Mrs. J. E. Rice and three children left yesterday morning for Seattle, for a visit among relatives.

Capt. and Mrs. Bellefeuille have lost their infant child by death. Mrs. Bellefeuille took it to Winnipeg for Medical treatment, but it died on Tuesday evening.

For the balance of the winter the west bound C. P. R. train on Tuesday and the east bound train on Friday are discontinued.

The fire brigade, with all their implements of deluge, posed for a photograph in the forenoon of New Year's day.

The following officers were elected for 1901 at the meeting of the Ministerial Association held on Monday last: President, F. T. Tapscott, B.A.; vice president, J. L. Small, B. A.; secretary, Jos. Keevil.

The Lake of the Woods Brewing Co. presented THE MINER with a beautiful calendar this week.

The W. C. T. U. will meet in the Oddfellow's hall next Monday afternoon at 3.30 p. m.

The first Century Tea, given by Mrs. Page and Mrs. Connell, in aid of the Women's Auxiliary Century Fund

E. W. Grove

This signature is on every box of the genuine

Rest of "x" Local Interest

Mrs. Geo. Davis is still very ill.

G.V. Hastings was in town this week.

The Christmas number of THE MINER made a splendid present and your correspondent sends the thanks of many of your readers.

It seems hard to get supplied with bread. There appears to be a good opening for a bakery business here.

SHE HAS A NEW VALISE.

Why She Bought It and Why. Also. She Will Not Lend It.

A Portland woman tells this story, which may have a moral:

Several years ago her husband made her a present of a traveling bag made of black Russia leather, handsomely mounted and strong and serviceable. She had had it only a few days when the sister-in-law of her boarding mistress borrowed it to take with her to the White mountains. It looked so much nicer than her own was her apology. It had only been returned a few days when a friend who was going to take a little journey up among the hills of Oxford county begged the loan of it, and again it was taken down from "the upper shelf."

Then another friend was to make a visit of a few weeks in Montreal. Could she take it? She could and did. By this time the new look had vanished, and still its owner had not no occasion to carry it.

One evening a favorite cousin called. He was captain of a brig which was to sail for the coast of Africa the next day, but he himself was going on a steamer via England. Did his cousin have a valise she wouldn't need for six months or so? Reluctantly the traveling bag was produced, and that was the last time the lady saw it for two years, when it reached her by the hand of a sailor from the brig. But it was in such a battered and forlorn condition that she consigned it to the waste barrel.

In the meantime she had bought a new valise, which she declined to lend.

A Thoughtful Little Wife.

Young Wife—My dear, there is a gentleman waiting in the other room. He wants to speak to you.

He—Do you know him?

She—You must forgive me, darling, but of late you have been troubled

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To my many Customers and Friends I wish A Merry Xmas and a Glad New Year.

G. W. Smith.

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HE WORKED DESTRUCTION.

A Sample of What a Fairly Healthy Cockatoo Can Do.

A light chain securely fastened on the cockatoo's leg promised safety, but he contrived to get within reach of my new curtains and rapidly devoured some half yard or so of a hand painted border, which was the pride of my heart. Then came an interval of calm and exemplary behavior which lulled me into a false security. Cockie seemed to have but one object in life, which was to pull out all his own feathers, and by evening the dining room often looked as though a white fowl had been plucked in it.

I consulted a bird doctor, but as Cockie's health was perfectly good and his diet all that could be recommended, it was supposed he only plucked himself for want of occupation, and firewood was recommended as a substitute. This answered very well, and he spent his leisure in gnawing sticks of deal—only when no one chanced to be in the room he used to unfasten the swivel of his chain, leave it dangling on the stand and descend in search of his plaything. When the fire had not been lighted, I often found half the coals pulled out of the grate and the firewood in splinters. At last, with warmer weather, both coals and wood were removed, so the next time Master Cockie found himself short of a job he set to work on the dining room chairs, first pulled out all their bright nails and next tore holes in the leather, through which he triumphantly dragged the stuffing.

At one time he went on a visit for some weeks, and ate up everything within his reach in that friendly establishment. His "tuck" for one afternoon consisted of a vegetable fern and a large palm, some library books, newspapers, a pack of cards and an arm chair. And yet every one adores him, and I do believe he is the spoiled child of more than one family.

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George McGregor has returned from a visit among friends in Lachute, Que.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. McKenzie of Sesame were in town this week visiting friends.

W. A. Ferguson is away on a trip among the lumber camps to the south-east of here.

W. J. Monat left on Monday on a trip to eastern cities, including Toronto, Montreal, Buffalo, Detroit and Chicago.

Dr. Schnarr left on Monday evening on a trip to eastern cities.

A Kinetograph and graphophone combination from Chicago is one of Manager Balliol's Opera house attractions for January.

In accordance with a precedent, the arrangement next Sunday morning's service in the Methodist church will comprise a love feast, renewal of the covenant and sacrament.

Thomas Davison was up from Ignace this week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Savage returned to Winnipeg on Wednesday morning.

Mrs. J. E. Rice and three children left yesterday morning for Sea the for a visit among relatives.

Capt. and Mrs. Bellefeuille have lost their infant child by death. Mrs. Bellefeuille took it to Winnipeg for Medical treatment, but it died on Tuesday evening.

For the balance of the winter the west bound C. P. R. train on Tuesday and the east bound train on Friday are discontinued.

The fire brigade, with all their implements of deluge, posed for a photograph in the forenoon of New Year's day.

The following officers were elected for 1901 at the meeting of the Ministerial Association held on Monday last: President, F. T. Tapscott, B.A.; vice president, J. L. Small, B. A.; secretary, Jos. Keevil.

The Lake of the Woods Brewing Co. presented THE MINER with a beautiful calendar this week.

The W. C. T. U. will meet in the Oddfellow's hall next Monday afternoon at 3.30 p. m.

The first Century Tea, given by Mrs. Page and Mrs. Connell, in aid of the Women's Auxiliary Century Fund

Mr Higbee left for Eagle lake last night.

Mr. D. C. Cameron, our new mayor, is away on a few days' trip to Spokane.

On account of the reception to Sergeant Machin this evening the annual meeting of the fire brigade has been postponed till the 11th inst.

Yesterday morning a man with his feet badly frozen was brought to town from Vermilion bay. He was taken to the hospital.

Keewatin News.

Mrs. Geo. Davis is still very ill.

G.V. Hastings was in town this week

The Christmas number of THE MINER made a splendid present and your correspondent sends the thanks of many of your readers.

It seems hard to get supplied with bread. There appears to be a good opening for a bakery business here.

SHE HAS A ...../ VALISE.

Why She Bought It and Why. Also. She Will Not Lend It.

A Portland woman tells this story, which may have a moral:

Several years ago her husband made her a present of a traveling bag made of black Russia leather, handsomely mounted and strong and serviceable. She had had it only a few days when her sister-in-law, her boarding mistress borrowed it to take with her to the White mountains. It looked so much nicer than her own was her apology. It had only been returned a few days when a friend who was going to take a little journey up among the hills of Oxford county begged the loan of it, and again it was taken down from "the upper shelf."

Then another friend was to make a visit of a few weeks in Montreal. Could she take it? She could and did, by this time the new look had vanished, and still its owner had had no occasion to carry it.

One evening a favorite cousin called. He was captain of a brig which was to sail for the coast of Africa the next day, but he himself was going on a steamer via England. Did his cousin have a valise she wouldn't need for six months or so? Reluctantly the traveling bag was produced, and that was the last time the lady saw it for two years, when it reached her by the hand of a sailor from the brig. But it was in such a battered and forlorn condition that she consigned it to the waste barrel.

In the meantime she had bought a new valise, which she declined to lend.

A Thoughtful Little Wife.

Young Wife—My dear, there is a gentleman waiting in the other room. He wants to speak to you.

He—Do you know him?

She—You must forgive me, darling, but of late you have been troubled with a cough, besides, you take so little care of yourself, and—oh, if you only knew how anxious I am about you. Suppose I were to lose you, love." She bursts into sobbing and throws herself on his breast.)

He—Come, my dear, silly child, do be calm, do be calm. People don't die of a slight cold. Still, if it will pacify you, show the doctor in. Who is it? Dr. Pallot, eh?

She—It isn't a doctor. It is it is—a life insurance agent!

Siam's Weights and Measures.

In Siam the liquid measure used is derived from a cocoanut shell which is capable of holding 820 tamarind seeds, and 20 of these units equal the capacity of a wooden bucket. In dry measure, 830 tamarind seeds make one "k'nanha," and 25 "k'anahn" make one "sat," or bamboo basket; 80 "sat" make one "kwien," or cart. This is an example of the primitive origin of most units of weights and measures.

Forethought.

"What did you buy so much of this cheap and worthless coffee for?"

"For these new neighbors of ours in case they prove to be of the borrowing sort. If they don't, you can throw it away."

The construction of a cigar box may seem to be a very simple matter to the novice, but the box passes through 19 different processes before it is ready to receive the cigars.

How to Give a Cat Medicine.

A New York gentleman has a very fine Angora cat, and so fine a specimen of her kind that she is famous in a large circle of fashionable folk. She is not rugged in health, yet she cannot be persuaded to take physic. It has been put in her milk, it has been mixed with her meat, it has even been rudely and violently rubbed in her mouth, but never has she been deluded or forced into swallowing any of it. Last week a green Irish girl appeared among the household servants. She heard about the failure to treat the cat. "Sure," said she, "give me the medicine and some lard, and I'll warrant she'll be eating all I give her!" She mixed the powder and the grease and smeared it on the cat's sides. Pussy at once licked both sides clean and swallowed all the physic. "Faith," said the servant girl, "everybody in Ireland does know how to give medicine to a cat!"

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5 Oil Stoves.
A good Cutter for $20.00.
Single Horse Wood Sleigh $9.00.
2 Roller-top Desks, $15.00.
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Washing Machine, $1.50.
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It is next to such as is indicated in the above report, that lead those interested in the mining industry to offer encouragement to prospective investors. Although all mines are not like the one of the character indicated above, yet, when the $70,000 was paid for this property, the only development upon it was a single shaft, sunk to a depth of 75 feet, disclosing not merely ore, but located in the district which gave promise of reasonable returns as a result of intelligent exploration. In view of the latter returns of nearly half a million a year, for three years, on a property so admittedly inferior to nearly all of the Ontario prospects with their wide, well defined veins and rich surface ores, it is no wonder that all mining men who have investigated the Ontario auriferous deposits pronounce them not only the most extensive, but the richest gold-bearing areas in the world. One of these days the merits of the Ontario gold fields will become generally known, and when that is the case the present day scoffers will wish they had got in on ground-floor privileges.

THE CIVIC NOMINATIONS.

D. C. Cameron, Mayor by Acclamation—13 Nominees for Councillors

The nominations for the offices of Mayor, councillors, school trustees and and water commissioners was held last Monday forenoon, and resulted as follows.

FOR MAYOR.

D. C. Cameron, A. S. Horswill and A. C. Boyce.

Messrs Boyce and Horswill resigned giving the mayor's chair to Mr. Cameron by acclamation.

COUNCILLORS

A. McQuarrie, J. K. Brydon, George Evans, C. W. Belyea, T. R. Deacon, Samuel Brown, John Brenchley, M. W. Sleightholm, Fred A. Hudson, W. G. Cameron, R. W. Ferrier, J. A. Partington, A. S. Horswill, E. J. Hall, C. W. Chadwick, and J. B. Davies.

Messrs Ferrier, Partington and E. J. Hall resigned, leaving thirteen candidates for the council in the field; six to be elected.

WATER COMMISSIONERS.

Frank Gardner, Harding' Bidcout and John Nash.

Mr. Nash has resigned allowing Messrs Gardner and Rideout to be elected by acclamation.

PUBLIC SCHOOL TRUSTEES.

North ward—T. R. Ferguson, A. Moore.

Centre ward—R. J. Sharpe, J. A. Partington, A. Carmichael.

South ward—J. A. Broley, C. E. Neads.

West ward—A. McQuarrie, John Paterson.

Messrs. T. R. Ferguson and A. Carmichael have resigned their nominations as school trustees.

There is only one trustee to be elected for each ward.

After the close of the nominations Councillor Rice took the chair and called upon Mayor McCarthy, who presented Mr. J. K. Brydon with an illuminated address. Mr. Brydon responded in a neat speech. The address is as follows:—

1887. 1888.

To John Kerr Brydon, ex-town clerk of Rat Portage.

The following resolution was unanimously adopted at a general meeting of the council of the town of Rat Portage:—

Whereas John Kerr Brydon held the position of clerk, first of the municipality of the village of Rat Portage, and subsequently of the town of Rat Portage, from the year 1882 to the year 1888, inclusive, and has discharged the duties of his office with ability, fidelity and integrity, and has by his courteous demeanor and obliging disposition, rendered himself deservedly popular with the ratepayers of the municipality, and has by his resignation of the office of clerk, severed his official connection with the municipality, and is about to remove from the town of Rat Portage, and has been presented with an address by the council of the town of Rat Portage, expressing the high appreciation in which he is held by the council and ratepayers of the town of Rat Portage, and the regret felt at his removal from the town, and the council desires to place on record its appreciation of the services rendered by Mr. Brydon to the municipality, and its regret at his removal from the town, and its sincere wishes for his future welfare and success in his new home.

Moved by Councillor Rice, seconded by Councillor Hudson, that the address and resolution be engrossed on parchment and presented to Mr. Brydon by the mayor.

Carried unanimously.

Mr. Brydon replied in a few appropriate words.

THE TOWN COUNCIL

Responsibility and Liability for Action of Tax Collector.

A final meeting of the town council was held last evening with Mayor McCarthy in the chair. Councillors Rice, Hudson and McQuarrie were present. The following motions were passed:

McQuarrie—Hudson—That the following communications be received: A. McLennan, M. Kyle, Sir Wm. R. Meredith, A. McLennan, A. M. Rose, S. R. Armstrong.

Rice—McQuarrie—That the council will and hereby do agree to assume all responsibility and liability for any action of Collector Rose as long as he acts within the premises of the municipal and assessment acts.

Rice—McQuarrie—That the report of the finance committee be received and adopted and that the mayor and clerk be authorized to issue warrants for the payment of the several accounts therein recommended, as follows:—

The Rat Portage Lumber Co., $32.91; S. Malcolm, $4; The Scott & Hudson Building Co., $12.55; The Rat Portage Lumber Co., $18.02; Charles Lawson, $4; Thos. Louett, $3.00; Horn & Taylor, $10.50; Isaah Lakins, 50 cts.; Johnson's Pharmacy, $21.50; F. Appolin, $30.90; Louis Hilliard, $35; Wm. Major, $2.45; Canadian Pacific Railway Co., $2.20; D. H. Currie, $1; W. R. Gerris, $1; Garth & Co., $7.20.

Rice—Hudson—That the clerk be instructed to write the manager of the Imperial Bank of Canada authorizing him to sell the Local Improvement Debentures now deposited with him in the Imperial Bank, for par. Any offers less than par to be submitted to the council for approval before being accepted.

McQuarrie—Rice—That the council resolve itself into a committee of the whole with Coun. Hudson in the chair for the second reading and consideration of by-laws for borrowing money by the issue of debentures for local improvements. The amount involved in this by-law, which received its third reading and was finally adopted, is $2,220.02.

McQuarrie—Rice—That the by-law for issuing debentures for sewer on portion of Keewatin St., be now finally passed and adopted.

The council then adjourned.

A special meeting of the council held on Saturday evening was voted toward a fe... Machin, who ser... Canadian contingent.

Masquerade...

The first carnival ... held in Victoria rink ... evening. It was ... spectators, and the ... numerous. The costu... and picturesque, and p... pleasing sight to see th... ers whirling around the ... ice. The following we... winners:

Ladies' Costume—1st, ... Wright, Navy; 2nd, Miss ... Lizzie Jean.

Gents' Costume—1st, K. ... troubadour; 2nd, P. Will... Hood; comic, John ...

Girls' ... small girls. Master ...

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Like a ... that ...
... the convent's narrow ...
... hard. Not ...
... she cons them with such eager eyes
... they hear her soul above
And bid the yearning spirit to arise.

And so I feel the years that come and go
Lift me to larger life and nobler deed,
And that is why I count my birthdays so
And do not sorrow as the fleet years speed;
Each one a blessing like the meek nun's prayers
Told on the sacred rosary she wears.

—Edith Willis Linn.

"MARRIED EYES, HOW SWEET THEY BE."

"Now's your chance, Deronda!" cried the agent's hearty voice.

When he had carried the mail bags up from the depot, he had waited until their contents were distributed. That was not a long time. It never was in Excelsior. And tonight the sacks had not been of sufficient weight to tax his strong shoulders. But out of their lankness had come a surprise for him and an opportunity for Deronda.

"I can guess. It's a letter from Uncle Donald. A check?"

Once in awhile, at Christmas always, a letter inclosing a check arrived from Donald Bertram of New York. And his brother, who found his petty salary as station master of the insignificant Nebraska town quite incommensurate with the needs of a large and increasing family, hailed the advent of each inclosure with gratitude and elation.

"N-o. It's a letter from Donald, but there's no check." He looked across at his best loved and eldest child with a smile brighter than even the welcome check had ever summoned. "Guess again."

She looked at him from her opposite end of the table, where she ... her mother, in true western ..., still being busied at the kitchen stove until the remainder of her ... had eaten. Between Deronda and ... father a ... voracious young ... intervened ... or ten of them. Deronda ... attended to their needs. ... for the ... were their ... But now Deronda ... pouring out ...

"Father! ... Flora! What ..."

... you ... the ... Deronda was ... town; but ... The children ...

"Oh! ..."

... she ... all her possessed ... air of breeding, of culture ... which can be neither ... not acquired. And she found ... melody of trained voices at the ... sweeter than the triple note of the ... lark, the scent of hothouse ... more delicious than the perfume ... wild clover.

And ... ago, she discovered entrancement in the homage of Eldred Wier. Not that in his case there was the possibility of comparison. She had never been ... by the attentions of her former acquaintances. There had not been one who attracted her. When she came east, she was quite heart whole and fancy free. But missiles, the gentlest of missiles, well directed, did their deadly and delicious work. Perhaps these would not have been so promptly effective, even if hurled by Dan Cupid's unerring hand, had Deronda realized that she was the bright particular star of the season. Had any one told her that her piquant, golden brown beauty, her unconscious air of aloofness, her repose begotten of prairie life and placid daily duty, had won for her a higher meed of approbation than was usually accorded a newcomer in an exclusive coterie she would have opened her serene gray eyes wide in smiling incredulity. All the girls had admirers. Almost all the girls had lovers. But not one of them had such a lover as Eldred Wier.

One month passed; two, three. And always there were the same tributes, always there was the same direct and personal deference. Theaters, dinners, dances, flowers, bonbons, gloves, afternoon visits, rides and drives. Always the same low, intimate tones, the allurement of impassioned eyes. Then, suddenly it seemed, it was time to go home. Time to go back to the dull, little town, to the rooms over the depot, to the horde of clamorous children.

Eldred Wier was the last to leave the Pullman. His worshiping eyes devoured the beauty of the shy, expectant face. His hand held hers in a close and tender clasp. He bent his head. He spoke in a tone that thrilled her.

"You know, you must know, I love you. You know, could I have my way, I would never let you go."

Then the train began to move. He was gone.

Five years later there was a ... of travel westward. The ... town of Wymore was one ... in the vortex of ... pleasure seekers, although ... many health seekers ... the seducing serenity of ... or the golden glory of ... A splendid summer day ... when a sporting train ... on the depot ... nervous and ...

... Fve got ... he declared ... to one of ... I'll be ...

"FORGETTIN."

The night when last I saw my lad
His eyes were bright and wet.
He took my two hands in his own,
"'Tis well," says he, "we're met;
Asthore machree, the likes o' me
I bid ye now forget."

Ah, sure, the squire's a thriflin thing;
'Tis more I'd do for him!
I mind t... ... I minded well,
Away ... ...
An every little while or so
I thry forgettin Jim.

It shouldn't take that ... to do,
An him not very tall;
'Tis quare the way I'll hear his voice,
A boy that's ... call,
An whiles I see him stand as plain
As e'er a six foot wall.

Och, never fear, my jewel!
I'd forget ye ... this minute,
If I only had a notion
O' the way I should begin it;
But first and last ...
The heap o' thrubble's in it.

Myself began the mighty work
An hasn't done it yet;
I'm ... to give it up,
For where's the use to fret?
An the morning's fairly ... on me
Wid minutin to forget.

—Moira O'Neill.

THE KING WAS BETTER.

But the Doctor Got Little Credit For His Efforts.

A story illustrating the good sense and humor of the late King Humbert is told at the expense of his physician, Dr. Saglione. Sometimes the king, from his hunting lodge of Castle Porsano went to the sea and amused himself by shoveling sand into a cart. "Take care, your majesty," said Saglione one day, "not to perspire too much." "Ah, my dear Signor Doctor," answered the king, resting his chin on his two hands that grasped the handle of his spade, "this muscular exercise does me much more good than your prescriptions." "Yes, but one must abuse nothing." "But I tell you that I feel very well, and you are afraid you see in this poor shovel a competitor." And, laughing heartily, the king finished filling his cart.

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"Ah!" observed the doctor ...

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There was an exchange of looks and winks among his astonished hearers, and then an old member kindly rose and said, "I presume, Mr. Speaker, that the memorandum referred to by my ... friend ... transf... ... the ... to's Corr..."

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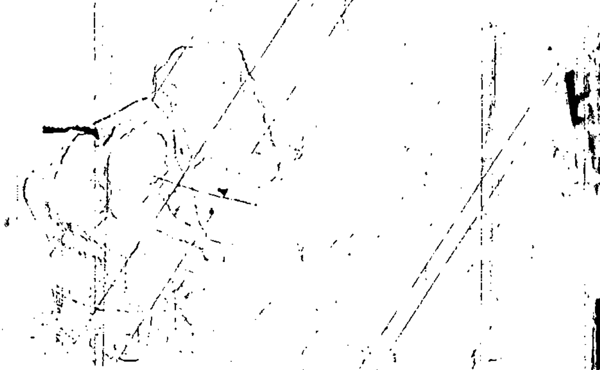

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de Donald. A check?"

Once in awhile, at Christmas always, a letter inclosing a check arrived from Donald Bertram of New York. And his brother, who found his petty salary as station master of the insignificant Nebraska town quite incommensurate with the needs of a large and increasing family, hailed the advent of each inclosure with gratitude and elation.

"N-o. It's a letter from Donald, but there's no check." He looked across at his best loved and eldest child with a smile brighter than even the welcome check had ever summoned. "Guess again."

She looked at him from her end of the table, where she presided, her mother, in true western fashion, still being busied at the kitchen stove until the remainder of her family had eaten. Between Deronda and ... their ... voracious young ... intervened ... or ten of the ... Deronda w... kept busy attending to their needs. She ... her mother ... for the rest. They ate as the ... whatever was left and ... complaining. ... were their ethics of ... But now Deronda paused ... pouring out the ...

"Father! It's ... Flora! What is ...

The tidings ... you will go to N... Y... visit, the check will ... centance. The ...

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"Oh ... mother ..."

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always there w... the same tributes, always there was the s... dinner and personal deference. Theatre, dinner dances, flowers, bonbons, gloves, ... upon ... the ... lost intimate tone ... the ... lurement of ... eyes. Then, suddenly it seemed, it was time to go home. Time to go back to the dull little town, to the rooms over the depot, to the horde of clamorous children.

Eldred Wier was the last to leave the Pullman. His worshiping eyes devoured the beauty of the shy, expectant face. His hand held hers in a close and tender clasp. He bent his head. He spoke in a tone that thrilled her.

"You know, you must know, I love you. You know, could I have my way, I would never let you go."

Then the train began to move. He was gone.

Five years later there was a tremendous rush of travel westward. The Nebraska town of Wymore was one of those caught in the vortex of impetuous pleasure seekers, although there were many health seekers, too, bound for the soliciting serenity of Colorado or the golden glory of California. A splendid summer day was waning when a snorting train di... myriads on the depot p... young man, nervous and ... sisted, helped an elderly ... alight. With scant show ... the latter into the wait...

"... tell you I've got to ... awhile," he declared testily. "... letter to present to one of the eastern officials of the road. His private ... is due here now ... I'll be back as soon as I can."

Heedless of her whimpered objections he hurried off. A tall, beautiful young woman, most charmingly gowned, ... the observation of the ... as she came down the waiting room. She noticed the woman ... ailing and evidently in distress.

"Can I be of service?" she inquired, pausing.

The traveler, in apparel too elaborate and youthful for her years, looked up into the gentle face of the speaker. Her enameled cheeks were chalky under their rouge, and her false curls and ... were awry.

"No!" she shrilled, heedless of hearers. "No one can help me. I brought ... myself. Mr. ... half a mil... to go and marry that young whip... ... But leaves me here like a ... even a drink of ...

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"One evening, however, the doctor thought he had gained his point, and he prepared for the king in his bedroom the powders he was to take during the night. The next morning Dr. Saglione rose very early, being very anxious to know the effect of his medicine. He was received in ... and at once asked, 'Well, how does your majesty feel this morning?'

"'Much better. I have ... quite well' was the response.

"'Ah!' observed the doctor, rubbing his hands with satisfaction, 'you see the results of listening to reason.'

"'What do you mean?' asked the king.

"'The powders!'

"'Bravo!' shouted Humbert. 'Go into the next room and see what you can find.'

"The powders were in the waste-paper basket."

Such Is Fame.

"There is bound to be a fly in the honey," said the disconsolate looking citizen. "There's always some such circumstance that prevents joy from being complete."

"What is the trouble now?"

"The leading paper of my community printed my picture the other day."

"That was nice."

"And it said that I was one of the people whom everybody knew; that my fame was such that it had spread beyond the confines of my native city and was carrying light into the regions beyond."

"Splendid!"

"Then they got a bit rushed in the office and put my friend Wiggins' name under my picture."

"That was a little unfortunate."

"It isn't the worst. Not a soul noticed it except my wife. And all she said was that she didn't think it looked much like Wiggins."

Disappointed.

A young man of this city rang up a lady acquaintance of his in Court street some days ago, but instead of her answering the phone herself her elder sister did so. The young man recognized the difference at once and ... in a ... low voice: "Won't you please deliver a message ... at the ... object of carrying ... result in giving ... retain ... the ... with the ... to come to the ...

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The Has Beens.

They met again after years by chance at the door of a circus tent. The judge and the middle aged woman who had been Maud Muller.

"Great Scott," muttered the judge to himself as he noted her sallow, faded hair, stubby fingers with the marks of the washboard upon them and the group of stuttering children she was angrily trying to induce the ticket taker to pass in free, "what a lucky escape I had!"

"Merciful gracious," she mused inwardly, looking at his bald head, watery eyes, double chin and protuberant stomach, "and I once wanted to marry that man!"

They passed in with their respective ... perceptibly elevated and were listening a few minutes later to the time honored jokes of the clown.

Breaking the News.

Jackson—See here, Jinson, that confounded dog of yours kept up a continual howl under my window till 3 o'clock this morning!

Jinson (firmly)—It wasn't my dog, sir!

Jackson—I'm glad to hear that, old man, because I hated to ask you to bury the body. To whom did you sell him?

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... exhibited to the American ... of the instrument which ... perfect except in one respect. ... tables of figures stamped into ... by the Yankee maker of the ... were omitted from the copy, and in their place were several Chinese characters. The imitation had been made with the rudest of tools, but was a marvel of accuracy. Mr. Wai proposed an exchange to Mr. Janvier, and the latter agreed to the proposition.

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LISH WAS FOR HAVING A DECORATION DAY PARADE

How Sandtine, Postmaster, Tells How Horatio Sparrow Spoke the Idea to the Town and How Lish Billings Gave It Its Deathblow.

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It was about a week before last Decoration day that Horatio Sparrow come into the postoffice, lookin as if he had sunthin on his mind, and as soon as he got the chance he whispered to me:

"Don't say nuthin to a livin soul, pap, but I'm comin around here to-night and shake the town of Jericho from center to circumference."

"In what way?" says I.

"Never you mind, pap. You jest git ready to feel the airth tremble, and tomorrow mornin you kin put $200 more value on your house and lot."

Horatio is a man who never gits excited when he wakes up and finds a cow in his garden, and I felt quite sure he had sunthin big on hand. He must hev told about 50 other people what he did me, as there was a big crowd at the postoffice at 7 o'clock in the evenin, and all expected to hear big news. Deacon Spooner took charge of things, as usual, and as the crowd got impatient he said:

"It is understood, feller citizens, that Horatio Sparrow is goin to launch a sensation here to-night, and it is with

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more than ordinary interest that I call the meetin to order. Stand out, Horatio, and let's hear all about it."

Horatio stood out. He looked pale, but determined. He'd bin thinkin fur a week of what he was goin to say, and he started off as smooth as grease.

"The drums are beatin a wild alarm. There is a wavin of flags, a marchin of men and a wailin of women and children. War is upon the land. The life of a nation is at stake. It is an hour when men are called upon to give up their lives fur the sake of principle."

"By John, but that's flowery language!" exclaimed the deacon as Horatio paused. "If Horatio kin keep it up fur an hour I'm fur leetin him to the next legislature."

"The farmer leaves his plow," continued Horatio, "the merchant his store and the mechanic his bench. They march away to find the enemy and fight him and die. Yes, they yield up their lives that we may live on in peace, and if we forget the sacrifice we ought to wither away like a burdock in November."

"Gentleman," said the deacon as the applause had subsided, "up to the present minit Horatio Sparrow has knocked the socks off'n Henry Clay as an orator, and I am proud to know that he is a citizen of Jericho. Anything more, Horatio?"

"I jest want to call your attention to the fact that Jericho has never had a Decoration day parade," replied the orator. "We hev never paraded and never decorated, and I say it's a burnin shame and ought to be remedied at once."

"By John, but that's a strong p'int!" shouted the deacon. "Hang me if Horatio ain't knockin things endways! No, sir; we've never had a parade nor decorated any graves and we ought to be ashamed of ourselves. Is it your suggestion that we celebrate the day this year, Horatio?"

"That's my p'int exactly."

"And it's as strong as a log chain. Yes, sir; we'll celebrate the day, and more'n that, we'll git up a parade that shall be the talk of the whole county. Fur the honor of Jericho we must hev a parade, and some one else has carried off the honors. I'm comin to the front on this occasion or know the reason why."

"Why, Enos, you don't purtend that you kin boss a purcession, do you?" asked the deacon.

"Of course I kin. Why not?"

"It appears to me," said Silas Lapham as he stood out and rubbed his hands together, "that we are not workin in complete harmony in this matter. It will be the event of the century. It will be known from Maine to California, that Jericho has had a Decoration day, and there will be thousands of inquiries for real estate. Let us sacrifice any selfish interests as individuals and work to make the affair a general success."

"That's powerful good advice," said the deacon as he rapped on the stove with his cane—"powerful good. I allus stand ready to sacrifice, and I hope the rest of you do. Any further p'int, Silas?"

"You may call it a p'int or not," said Silas, "but bein there seems to be a controversy here I think it better be settled by selectin me to boss things. I don't want it because I'm proud and want to show off, but purely in the interests of harmony."

"I'll never surrender my rights!" said Horatio Sparrow.

"Nor me!" added Deacon Spooner.

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"But I object to that," said Horatio. "Hevin originated this idea, I think it's fur me to ride on horseback at the head of the procession."

There was a painful pause, and then Abner Jones, who was in fireman's uniform, jumped off the counter and said:

"There shouldn't be any jealousy about this thing. Horatio would look purty fine on his spotted horse, and the deacon would be all slouch in his corked hat, but if there's to be any feelin over it I'll take the job off their hands. As I'm foreman of the fire company it comes in my line anyhow."

"I don't propose to give up my rights fur nobody," said Horatio.

"And I'm thinkin I'm the man to boss things," added the deacon.

"I don't want to charge anybody with hevin too much cheek," said Squar Henshaw, "but it do look a little strange to me to see the way certain folks want to crowd to the front on public occasions. If there is a purcession, it's got to be headed by a man who knows how to boss things and can't be rattled. I bossed the parade the last time we had a Fourth of July, and you may remember that the newspapers said I managed it better than any we ever had."

"I'll allow that the squar did fairly well," said Enos Williams as he shut up his jackknife and got off the sugar barl, "but there are several other folks in this town of Jericho. For instance, me here myself. When anything has

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A Lincoln Story.

The Rev. Mr. Alcott of Elgin, Ills., one of Abraham Lincoln's Springfield acquaintances, tells of seeing him coming away from church unusually early one Sunday morning. The sermon could not have been more than half way through," says Mr. Alcott. "His son, Tad, was slung across his left arm like a pair of saddlebags, and Lincoln was striding along with long and deliberate steps toward home.

"On one of the street corners he encountered a group of his fellow townsmen. Lincoln anticipated the question which was about to be put by the group, and, taking his figure of speech from practices with which they were only too familiar, said, 'Gentlemen, I entered this colt, but he kicked around so I had to withdraw him.'"

Different Breaths.

Down in southern Georgia two widows were quarreling with each other over their troubles. In telling of the last sickness and death of their husbands, one said:

"My man, poor feller, jes' suffered and suffered and suffered, and then jes' died for the want of breath."

The other replied:

"Waal, mine didn't. He drawed his breath to the very last."—Argonaut.

In proportion to population, North Berwick is said to be the wealthiest town in Scotland. It has an annual value of real property per inhabitant of about $60.

Japanese swords have the high temper of the famous Damascus blades without their wonderful flexibility.

"Can't blame yo', stranger. Can't blame yo' a bit. Yo' don't want to [illegible] to pieces and hev this v[illegible] on for the sake of one co[illegible] I'll [illegible] Ole woman seven yard of it, sho', and she'll hev to [illegible] up a [illegible] at that and let the pictur[illegible]

Mechanism of a Fish.

People marvel at the mechanism of the [illegible] human body, with its [illegible] and 60 miles [illegible] but man is simple in this respect compared with the fish. That remarkable fish moves no fewer than 4,256 bones and muscles at one time it breathes. It has 3,220 veins, to say nothing of the 93 muscles.

Tact is but [illegible] here and there recognized as a valuable [illegible] in a man's welfare and happiness.

The [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] in the world by [illegible] to be the [illegible] people of [illegible] occupying [illegible] of mining [illegible]

Short Credit Man and the Bible.

A jeweler in Iowa, writing a jobbing house that questioned his credit, quoted, "What is not of faith is sin," conveying the inference that the jobbers were sinners. The house replied, "Faith without works is dead," and "There is none perfect—no, not one." They are now sorry they replied in kind, for this is what the next mail brought: "See what Gen. vi. 9, says about a perfect man. See what we are told to do, Math. v. 48. Here is a good thought, James iii. 2. Can we do it? See Job viii. 20. The trouble with people is this, Jer. xvii. 9. See what is said in I Sam. xvi. 7. If it were not for this, we would all be lost. Cannot everybody be perfect if they would see what is said, I Cor. x. 13? Here were two good people. They tried Luke i. 13-16." Which shows that there are jewelers in Iowa whose time is not entirely occupied with business cares.—Jewelers' Circular Weekly.

Both Bad.

James McNeill Whistler was once painting a portrait of a distinguished novelist, who was extremely clever, but also extremely ill favored. When the portrait was finished, the sitter did not seem satisfied with it.

"You don't seem to like it," Whistler said.

The sitter confessed that he did not and said in self justification, "You must admit that it is a bad work of art."

"Yes," Whistler replied, "but I think you must admit that you are a bad work of nature."—Argonaut.

Business Men's Backs.

Too much rush and hustle, work and worry fall to the lot of the average business man. Kidneys can't stand it; they fail to filter the poisons from the blood properly. Urinary trouble, general languor and pain in the back are the natural results. A man can't attend to business properly if his back aches—no use trying.

Only one sure remedy that never fails—

DOAN'S KIDNEY PILLS.

Take a hint from business men who have used them:

"I have taken Doan's Kidney Pills, which I procured at the Medical Hall here, for rheumatism and pains in the small of my back, with which I have been afflicted for the past six years. They did me so much good that I heartily recommend them as an excellent medicine for rheumatic troubles and backache." Chas. [illegible] Perry, dealer in agricultural implements, [illegible] Ont.

Doan's Kidney Pills cure [illegible] of weak back, [illegible] kidneys, [illegible] gravel, sediment [illegible] [illegible] right [illegible] [illegible] of the kidneys [illegible] [illegible] Remember [illegible] [illegible] all others. [illegible] Toronto, Ont.

[illegible] work while y[illegible] a grip or [illegible] cure, constip[illegible] ache and dy[illegible] you feel [illegible]

[illegible] PILLS [illegible]

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JUDICIAL SALE.

OF

MINING LOCATIONS in the District of Rainy River.

PURSUANT to an Order of the High Court of Justice made in the action of Jacob Lucma, Frank Kosky and John Baldo versus the Cracker Jack Gold Mining Company, Limited, there will be offered for sale with the approbation of Thomas W. Chapple, Esquire, the Local Master at Rat Portage, by R. J. Barrett, Auctioneer, at the Hilliard House in the Town of Rat Portage at the hour of two o'clock in the afternoon on Wednesday, the fifth day of December, 1900, all and singular, that certain parcel or tract of land and premises situate, lying and being in the said District of Rainy River and described as follows: Mining Location 611 described as part of parcel No. 1792 leasehold in the Register for the District of Rainy River.

The property is known as the Cracker Jack Mine, and is said to have undergone considerable development.

The property will be offered for sale subject to a reserved bid. The purchaser shall pay ten per cent. of his purchase money at the time of sale to the vendors, or their solicitors, and the balance in thirty days thereafter into Court to the credit of this Action. The vendors will only be required to produce such Certificates, deeds or copies thereof, or other evidences of title as are in their possession.

In all other respects the terms and conditions of sale will be the standing conditions of this court.

Further particulars may be had from Thomas R. Ferguson, Vendors solicitor, Rat Portage, or from

THOMAS W. CHAPPLE,
Local Master, Rat Portage.

Dated at Rat Portage this 20th day of October, A.D. 1900. 2-16-30th

The above Sale is postponed until the 5th day of February, 1901, at the same hour and place.

Notice to Creditors.

In the Matter of the Estate of Christopher Oue, late of the Town of Rat Portage, in the District of Rainy River, Miner, Deceased.

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to "The Revised Statutes of Ontario, 1897," Chapter 129, that all creditors and others having claims against the estate of the said Christopher Oue, who died on or about the 23rd day of January, A.D., 1900, are required, on or before the 10th day of January, A.D. 1901, to send by post prepaid or delivered to Thomas R. Ferguson, Esq., of the Town of Rat Portage, in the District of Rainy River, Solicitor for Peter Johnson, administrator of the estate of the said deceased, their Christian and surnames, addresses and descriptions, the full particulars of their claims, the statement of their accounts and the nature of the securities, if any, held by them.

And further take notice that after such last mentioned date the said administrator will proceed to distribute the assets of the deceased among the parties entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which he shall have notice, and that the said administrator will not be liable for the assets or any part thereof to any person of whose claim notice shall not have been received by him at the time of such distribution.

HOMESTAKE POINT.

We Called it Low Grade BUT HOW'S THIS?

THOS. E. BIRBECK, the contractor who is sinking our shaft, has just visited St. Paul. He brought down some ore from great property which we have had assayed, giving the following results:—

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MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., Sept. 6, 1900.

I Hereby Certify that the Samples of Ores, herein described, assayed for The Homestake Gold Mining Company of Ontario, Limited, gave the following results:

No.	Gold No of ounces per ton	Value at $20.66 per oz.	Silver No. of ounces per ton.	Value at .69¢ per oz.	Total value per ton of Gold and Silver.
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2	6	12.40	None	—	12.40
3	4	8.26	8.	4.80	13.06

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It is absolutely impossible to comprehend the great value of this property. There is no doubt, now, but that we have some very rich ore, in fact, very much richer than we ever anticipated.

People doubted our statement regarding the size of our deposit, and really it is no wonder. Think of a vein from 400 to 500 feet wide, nearly a mile long, that carries such values above indicated per ton in free-milling gold.

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RAT PORTAGE, ONT., JAN. 4, 1901

The output of gold from the Klondike is estimated at $12,000,000 for the twelve months ending Oct. 1, 1900.

The Black Hills has beaten all past records during 1900 by producing $10,000,000 worth of minerals, chiefly gold. This swells the aggregate of South Dakota's diversified productions to a sum which few Western states can equal.

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The Week of Prayer.

The week beginning Jan. 5th, [illegible] be observed as the week of prayer. In this the Presbyterian, Methodist, Baptist and Disciple churches will unite. Services will also be conducted in Keewatin and Norman. The following is the programme for Rat Portage: [illegible]

Monday—Presbyterian [illegible] "Spiritual Awakening," Mes[illegible] [illegible] and Tapscott.

Tuesday—Baptist [illegible] "The Church, its Spirit a[illegible] Lesson," Messrs. Kervil and Ro[illegible]

Wednesday—[illegible] church, "Christian character," Messrs. Smith and McKitrick.

Thursday—Pres[illegible] church, "The Golden Rule [illegible] and political life," Messrs. M[illegible] and Nairn.

Friday—[illegible] church, "Nation and the religion [illegible]" [illegible]

Locketted T[illegible]

At Victoria Rink when [illegible] Citizens' band finished playing on [illegible] New Year's afternoon Robt. Holland [illegible] an address to Bandmaster Hanson and Wm. King presented him with a handsome gold locket. The following [illegible] address which [illegible] [illegible] of the citizens [illegible]

"Dear [illegible] been looking forward to [illegible] to be [illegible] together [illegible] an occasion other than meeting [illegible] with our instruments by the [illegible] our [illegible] of baton. [illegible] been pleasure [illegible] the privilege of playing under your [illegible] ability and [illegible] ...and our strongest plea that you may long remain in our midst.

"We, therefore, one and all [illegible] you our hearty congratulations [illegible] your good work in the past, and express the earnest desire that you continue for many years to come as leader of the Citizens' Band of Rat Portage."

Signed:—W. Governan, Robert Holland, Wm. Hornby, Wm. King, Chas. Holland, Wm. Thompson, J. Bolger, W. Griffith, J. Watson, S. Spence, J. S. McSwyn, W. Stewart.

Bandmaster Hanson replied expressing his complete surprise and thanking the boys for their kind appreciation. He had tried to do his best, and assured them that he would continue his efforts to promote the welfare of the band.

What Would They Give?

It seems a waste of time to warn people against neglecting coughs and colds, but what would victims of consumption and pneumonia give if their disease were only in its beginning, if it were only a cough or cold. Deadly lung diseases begin with colds that could certainly be cured by Dr. Chase's Syrup of Linseed and Turpentine, [illegible] good prescription which not [illegible] [illegible] thoroughly cures [illegible]

Francis Walker Coming.

Mr. Francis Walker, the well known baritone, gave one of his class songs [illegible] Friday evening at [illegible] large audience composed of people [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

Hospital Report.

M[illegible] C. [illegible] Driscoll, of the [illegible] [illegible] hospital, makes the following report for the month ending Dec. 31, 1900:

Under treatment [illegible]
Admitted during month [illegible]
Discharged during month [illegible]
Deaths during month [illegible]
[illegible] during month [illegible]

Xmas Day at the Mikado Mine.

[illegible] the most enjoyable entertainment that [illegible] ever experienced [illegible] [illegible] took [illegible] form of a ball and [illegible] at the Mikado mine on Xmas [illegible]. All [illegible] arrangements were [illegible] by [illegible] and superintended by [illegible], the store manager.

The large dining hall in the new boarding house was tastefully [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] of diff[illegible] [illegible] at my country [illegible] year I began to make a systematic study of their habits," says a contributor to the New Orleans Times-Democrat. "Near one of my flower beds is a colony of small red ants that are extremely industrious in collecting food, and they frequently perform the most astonishing engineering feats in transporting heavy burdens to their home.

"Not long ago I watched a party of about a dozen who had found the body of a small spider and were dragging it toward the nest. The spider had hairy legs, which stuck out in every direction and caught on obstacles, greatly retarding progress. For several minutes the ants toiled away with their awkward booty and then stopped and seemed to hold a council. A minute fragment of dry leaf was lying on the ground, and presently they all lay hold and pulled the spider on top of it. Then they seized the edges and slid it along without difficulty."

The Advance of Time.

The age of man, we are told, is three score years and ten. From 25 to [illegible] if the health be good, no material [illegible] [illegible] is observed. From thence to [illegible] the demand is greater [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible]

On Heads [illegible]

[illegible] people [illegible] out the magic of the [illegible] of [illegible]. We read [illegible] [illegible] attended [illegible] almost [illegible] [illegible] for the [illegible] and we [illegible] [illegible] great [illegible]

Poetry taught also to [illegible] [illegible]

A [illegible] deal of [illegible] [illegible]

A Scotch [illegible]

In many parts of Scotland it [illegible] to be the custom to place on a [illegible]

"THE ACADÉMIE DE MÉDECINE OF FRANCE HAS PLACED

Apollinaris

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At the Head of All [illegible] Examined for Purity [illegible] from Disease Germs."

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The following are a few of the handsome Goods we are showing most acceptable as Xmas Presents for your gentlemen friends.

Silk Mufflers in White, Black and Fancy Colors from 50 cents to $2.50.

Ties put up in Fancy boxes, 50 cents, 75 cents and $1.

Shirts Best American makes, fancy Patterns. Special for Xmas trade at $1 and $1.50.

Fancy Braces In nice boxes, 75 cents and $1.

Silk Handkerchiefs White and Light Colors, 50 cents, 75 cents and 90 cents.

Gloves and Mitts Best Silk and Fur-lined Mocha. Large assortment, 75c to $2.50.

We are offering the remainder of our Fur Coats, Caps, collars and cuffs at a Reduction of 20 p. c.

Fancy Corduroy Vests at $2 and $2.50, reduced from $2.75 and $3.50.

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TOWN [illegible]

Tales of the Nose.

[illegible] [illegible]

A Curious [illegible]

[illegible]

No Flies In Skyscrapers.

[illegible] "Why? [illegible]

The Nose Shows.

[illegible] that simple [illegible] "You know, it [illegible]" [illegible] "You have all been [illegible]" [illegible]

VERTICAL SINKING PUMPS

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The Week of Prayer.

The week beginning Jan. 6th, will be observed as the week of prayer, by the Presbyterian, Methodist, Baptist and Disciple churches. Union Services will also be held in Kentwith and Newman. The following is the programme for Rat Portage:

Monday—Presbyterian church, "Spiritual Awakening," Messrs. Bennie and Tapscott.

Tuesday—Baptist church, "The Church in Spirit and Mission," Messrs. Revell and Robinson.

Wednesday—Methodist church, "Christian Character," Messrs. Smith and McKittrick.

Thursday—Presbyterian church, "The Golden Rule in Social and political life," Messrs. Morden and Nairn.

Friday—Baptist church, "Nations and the reign of Christ," Messrs. Rose, Morgan and Shaidl.

Lockerbie T. Hanson.

At Victoria rink when the Citizens band finished playing on New Years afternoon Robt. Holland read an address to Bandmaster Hanson and Wm. King presented him with a handsome gold locket. The following is the address, which not only voices the sentiment of the members of the band but of the citizens generally:

"Dear Sir:—It is pleasant we have been looking forward to for some time, to be thus able to gather together for an occasion other than meeting time with our instruments by the waving of our instructor's baton. It has always been a pleasure, to us to have the privilege of playing under your leadership, and in order to show our appreciation we now take this opportunity of tendering you this little present in order that we may know that you carry about with you an outward token of our esteem and regard for your many professional and social qualities.

In your capacity as leader of Rat Portage Citizens' Band we are ever cognizant of the many worthy endeavors which must be the [illegible] Hanson. We also [illegible] many [illegible] by kindness [illegible] The operatic [illegible] doubtful to [illegible] interest [illegible] kindly [illegible] and the [illegible] Long may [illegible]

Bandmaster Hanson replied expressing his complete surprise and thanking the boys for their kind appreciation. He had tried to do his best, and even if he would continue his efforts to promote the welfare of the band.

What Would They Give?

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Francis Walker Coming.

Mr. Francis Walker, the well known humorist, gave one of his characteristic sessions of mirth on Friday evening before a large and appreciative audience in the opera house. A programme of high order of merit was given and especially of Mr. Walker's original humorous selections were carried to a point of enthusiasm that was highly entertaining to the stage. Mr. Walker is a man of handsome and distinguished appearance, who has decided dramatic ability and his versatility is to a great extent shown by his transformation from the stately, noble old general to the [illegible] character of [illegible] and [illegible] which Mr. Walker renders with [illegible] effectiveness and mystery. A more delightful and artistic programme has seldom graced the ability of any artist. The Cincinnati Commercial Gazette.

Monthly Hospital Report.

Miss C. L. Driscoll, of the Royal Jubilee hospital, makes the following report for the month ending Dec. 31, 1897:

Under treatment	11
Admitted during month	13
Discharged during month	12
Deaths during month	0
Operations during month	0

Xmas Day at the Mikado Mine.

One of the most enjoyable entertainments that has ever been given in the district took the form of a ball and was held at the Mikado mine on Xmas night. All the arrangements were made by the mine and superintended by Mr. Clelland, the store manager.

The large dining hall in the new boarding house was tastefully and elaborately decorated, showing that good taste and skilful arrangements are not confined to town limits. The ladies displayed exceeding taste in the arrangement of the lights and evergreens, and their dresses well harmonized with the soft and lovely tints, so rare in the ballroom, with its occupants, looked a picture of youth and beauty. About [illegible] couples took part in the dance, and reflects great credit upon [illegible] who had charge among whom [illegible] the mentioned Mess. Clelland, [illegible] Hamilton, C. [illegible] Mc. Jas. [illegible] Shaidl [illegible] of the evening. Messrs. [illegible] and McCuaig, who [illegible] to the [illegible] clothing proper. And the [illegible] to the ladies and [illegible] attributed largely to the success of the affair.

Messrs. [illegible] upon deserve the thanks [illegible] and excellent supper which [illegible] so generously provided.

Some Won't Believe It

[illegible] have suffered the [illegible] from bleeding piles [illegible] spite [illegible] medicines and [illegible] believed that Dr. [illegible] Ointment [illegible] as well as [illegible] the efficacy of this [illegible] season after many [illegible] like magic in stopping the [illegible] thing, and is positively a [illegible] any case of blind, [illegible] ing piles. Ask your [illegible] You dealer has it. Price [illegible]

Silk Handkerchiefs White and Light Colors, 50 cents, 75 cents and 90 cents.

Gloves and Mitts Best Silk and Fur-lined Mocha. Large assortment, 75c to $2.50.

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ESTABLISHED [illegible] MAIN ST., RAT PORTAGE.

Tales of the Nose.

Talented nostrils are full of meaningless, while nostrils a spendthrift. A tip jutting out far from the face is a token of vulgarity, refinement being the possession of the owners of noses that do not stand out far at the end. An aquiline bend denotes firmness of will and sense of justice; the long, narrow bridge proclaims a fastidious, self sufficient yet often tender nature. All the active qualities—combativeness, eagerness, passionate temper, power of hatred, jealousy, ambition—go with the large, common type of Roman nose. The Greek form, on the contrary, tells of artistic capabilities and love of inanimate beauty.

No Flies In Skyscrapers.

"If I was a bald headed man I would not take an office on one of the upper floors of the tallest skyscraper in town," remarked an attorney. "Why? Because I'd never have to brush a fly from my hairless pate. Flies stay near the ground, seldom getting more than 40 or 50 feet above it. The only flies you get in a skyscraper are the ones that stray up through the interior of the building, and they are mighty few. You will find them on the lower floors, but just keep your eyes open when you are in high buildings, you'll see mighty few of the little pests above the third or fourth floors."

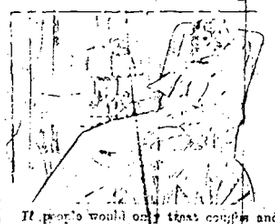
Hired by the Hour.

When Rubinstein, the famous violinist, was [illegible] he was engaged by a [illegible] to play at a dinner, the [illegible] stipulation that he was to [illegible] finish [illegible] o'clock to 11. He began with an [illegible] and went from [illegible] to [illegible] by the hour.

Friends.

[illegible] friends are the best. [illegible] you don't get rich [illegible]

A Terrible Cough.



If people would only treat coughs and colds in time with Dr Wood's Norway Pine Syrup, there would be fewer [illegible]

The severest [illegible] Colds, [illegible] and [illegible] pass off [illegible] one night to-day [illegible] powerful healing remedy.

Mr. Edward Fish [illegible] Ont., says: "I [illegible] above [illegible] one of my [illegible] and [illegible]

[illegible] Ointment

A Sentch Notion.

In many parts of Scotland it used to be the custom to place on a man's tombstone the symbols of his trade. Thus a sugar cane would decorate the grave of a grocer; an axe and saw, with hammer and nails, would be found on that of a carpenter, an awl and a hammer on a shoemaker's grave, and so on.

The sorrow of yesterday is as nothing; that of today is bearable; but that of tomorrow is gigantic, because it is distinct.

A DAUGHTER'S DANGER.

A Chatham Mother Tells how Her Daughter, who was Troubled with Weak Heart Action and run Down System was Restored to Health.

Every mother who has a [illegible] daughter [illegible] Heart Action [illegible] and run down system [illegible] Mrs. Richard [illegible] of the Central Dairy [illegible] for my daughter, who is now [illegible] years of age, and had been [illegible] with weak action of the heart for a considerable length of time.

"These pills have done her a world of good restoring a strong, healthy action. I feel sure [illegible] her [illegible] I gave her [illegible] and [illegible] our expectations [illegible] a splendid remedy [illegible] to any one [illegible] ring from weakness, or heart and nerve trouble [illegible] cordially recommend [illegible]

[illegible] Nerve Pills are 50c. a box or 3 for $1.25, at all druggists.

The Nerve Strain.

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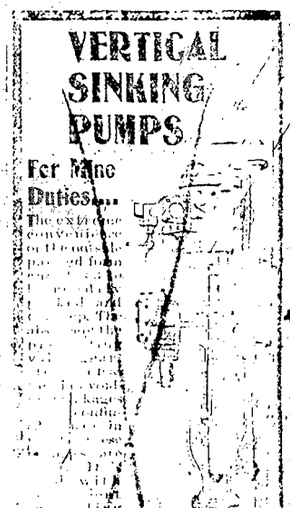

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Old Maids' Convention.

BY METRONOME.

On New Year's night, the ladies, who for some days had been wearing a mysterious expression, similar to that, no doubt, [illegible] by [illegible] early Masters when they were developing their "Rye House Plot," rang up the curtain of the [illegible] theatre and [illegible] their [illegible] on a very large [illegible] audience.

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Technically, a "[illegible]" bill is introduced by [illegible]

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the remodelled [illegible] was the elocutionist girl, Miss Chadwick, who, however disappointed her friends by only giving one very short selection, and a graceful [illegible] to respond to a persistent call for an encore. The [illegible] boxes and her pet dog were made into a little Dutch maid, and a bunch of sausages respectively. Another wished to be Maid of Athens!

Mrs. Walsh's contribution to the [illegible] recitation "Oh Joe [illegible]," was exceedingly comical, and the audience was not [illegible] in demanding a repetition [illegible] of the same.

[illegible] part of Prof. Mckeover was very cleverly taken by Robs. Nairn, [illegible] Mrs. Robinson's [illegible] was invaluable—in fact without her touch of the work would have been impossible. Delegates who ably represented the different interests of the organization were: Mesdames Carmichael, Chapman, Wright, Schwartz (who would rise to points of order) [illegible] as chairman of the [illegible] committee who recommended [illegible] in a body to Klondike. Others in attendance were [illegible] (Mrs. Walsh), the Vice-President [illegible] represented by Mrs. [illegible] the Delegate to Parliament, [illegible] impersonated by Mrs. McCrossin, so [illegible] friends didn't know her, and Miss Patterson who was an [illegible] old maid at the piano. Miss [illegible] played the piano [illegible] before the rise of the curtain. When this young lady grows up—she will likely be heard of as a pianiste. [illegible] of the [illegible] [illegible] and [illegible].

The [illegible] was contrived by Mrs. Young and Stage managed by Mrs. [illegible] ladies, as the foregoing [illegible] being entitled [illegible] so much [illegible]

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The Englishman's Only Comment When the Broncho Threw Him.

"Most Englishmen are considered pretty fair horsemen, but when it comes to riding a bucking broncho some of them are not in or on it for long," said the owner of a large cattle ranch in Wyoming to the writer the other day. "For instance, a rich young Englishman recently came out to my part of the country in quest of some good investment. He was at my ranch as a guest for a few days, and one afternoon as the cowboys were about to round up a bunch of cow ponies the young man said that he would enjoy a good ride in the saddle. He said he was used to riding only thoroughbreds, and he didn't think we had a horse good enough for him. The boys convinced him that they had one of the finest horses on the plains, and if he knew how to ride he was welcome to the animal. He was apparently insulted when questioned [illegible] his ability to ride and [illegible] that he could ride any kind of [illegible]. A sleepy looking broncho [illegible] accordingly brought out [illegible] and saddled. Though [illegible] half [illegible]

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THE MYST[illegible]

A Case in Which the [illegible] Were [illegible]

[illegible]

Rough on His Lordship.

A carpenter in an English town having neglected to make a gibbet that had been ordered by the hangman on the ground that he had not been paid for the last one he had erected gave so much offense that the next time the judge came to the circuit he was sent for.

"Fellow," said the judge in a stern tone, "how came you to neglect making the gibbet that was ordered on my account?"

"I humbly beg your pardon," replied the carpenter. "Had I known it had been for your lordship it would have been done [illegible]."

[illegible]

[illegible] destruction of lung by a growing germ, precisely as mouldy cheese is destruction of cheese by a growing germ.

[illegible] you kill the germ, [illegible] the consumption. You can't [illegible] you begin [illegible]

Scott's Emulsion [illegible] Cod-liver Oil [illegible]

It acts as a food; it [illegible] the easiest food. Seems not to be food; [illegible] hungry; eat [illegible] comfortable. You grow strong-[illegible]. Take more; not too much; enough is as much as you like and agrees with you. [illegible] satisfy hunger [illegible] what[illegible] [illegible] agrees with you.

When you are strong again, have recovered your strength—the germs are dead; you have killed them.

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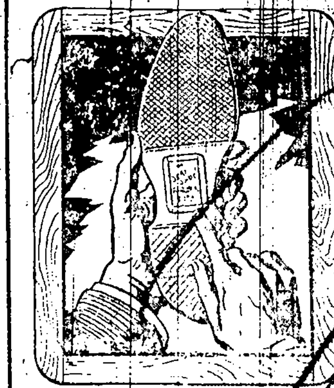
SCOTT & BOWNE [illegible]

Right There.



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